# In Fine Feather

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(Copyright, 1916, by W. G. Chapman.) "I can't pay you in money, child,"

spoke Mrs. Hannah Blake. "Oh, I never thought of money, dear

"You are a good, kind-hearted girl, to you. It's been a hard week for all of us, but you have borne your burden. like some sweet angel."

Bintr, off artush,

"It's true, and I don't know how we could have got along without you. But as I began to say, I can't pay you in money, but I must make you a little present. Come with me, child."

When cross-grained, tyrannical old Silns Blake was taken down with a fever, it was in barvest time, with all the hands busy, the well ones of the family included. A nurse was necesbut the Blakes were in money straits; Hazel, who lived at the next farm with her nunt, volunteered. Mrs. Blake had been friendly and kind to Hazel's mother during her last illness, and the true-hearted daughter re-

Mrs. Binke led Hazel into a little storeroom where the old bureau stood, and opened one of its drawers, She carefully drew out a long, bulky, but neatly cared-for package done up in a sheet, placed it on a table, after dusting off the latter, and drew aside the folds of the sheet, revenling a beautiful toilette. The outfit of a beautiful, expensive silk attire was complete, even to petileont and hose.



Laid Aside the Treasured Dress.

There was a pair of dainty slippers, hair ribbons and a belt of satin, all of one harmonious, delicate lilac hue. "And there's a bat, dear," imparted Mrs. Blake, "in that box vonder, "It's all for you, that's my present." "Oh!"

It was all that Hazel could utter. She was dazzled. Her eyes shone, her Hazel told him the story of her wonbreath came in little fluttering gasps, derful dress. Who could resist her and her cheeks were radiant.

Was there ever anything in the world so beautiful?" she palpitated. "You come here the next two evenings, and we'll get at it and fit it to you,"

pursued Mrs. Blake, "although I fancy it won't need much remodeling for Mrs. Van Buskirk was just your height and build."

"Who is Mrs. Van Buskirk?" queried the bewildered Hazel. "The lady who with her husband

summered with us last season-don't you remember?" "I think I do," replied Hazel vaguely.

"They seemed to have plenty of money," explained Mrs. Blake, "but the last week they were here some business troubles worried them. They had to burry back to the city and did not have enough to pay me all they owed Mrs. Van Buskirk insisted on leaving this outfit, which she had never worn. Later I learned they had all gona to pieces, so I guess Mrs. Van Buskirk never cared to wear the dress, for she did not send for it, so it's yours, dear. You love nice things, As you get older you are going to get

society, a pretty girl like you." "Maybe, Mrs. Binke," smiled Hazel, "but such a dress was never worn at hayrack rides and harvest festivals and church sociables. But, oh! all the same it will be a wondrous delight to me to have such pretty things, if it's

only to dress up once in a while, just to look at myself and dream that I am princess, or the like!"

The two evenings of fixing over ere like wild riots of glorious pleas ure. When fully arrayed in the beautiful dress, Hazel stood before the mirror, Mrs. Blake went into ecstasies

and Hazel's bright eyes danced. Hazel, back home, laid aside the trensured dress, but her last glance at night was for it. Then she would dream of high-born dames, and knights of chivalry, and gilded palaces, and great social functions.

One day, when her nunt was away, Hazel dressed up in full elegance. She was possessed with girlish longing to show herself. Her thought was to get past the wooden stretch between Mrs. Blake! I'm only too glad to be her home and the summer hotel promenaders, and feel that, in attire and nothing but happiness will come at least, she was one of the "madding crowd," When she neared the throng, however, Hazel's timid nature shrank from the ordeal. She went to "Oh, Mrs. Blake!" fluttered Hazel a quiet nook in the woods, sat down

She arose suddenly. Hazel had removed her pretty picture hat and placed it beside her. A little dog came running up, seized the prized headgear, and ran off with it.

"Come back! oh, come back," cried the distructed Hazel, but the mischievous little animal was out of sight like an arrow. Hazel had rushed vainly, in pursuit, fairly crying, when a quick whistle rang out and a welldressed young man came into view. The dog scampered up to him and the hat was rescued, unharmed.

What a delightful young man-all ourtesy, apology and consideration! He was manifestly captivated by the fair face, but indulged only in a few generalities, and was gone, but he had managed to linger for fully five minutes, and Hazel was duly impressed. She had in a measure been false to herself. For a few moments at least, she had carried out all the diguity of a fashionable young lady to the ma born. It was quite a small and thrilling experience to pose in an exclusive sphere and to be accepted as a simonpure devotee of fashion!

Gordon Marle did not forget that harming face. It was strange, he told mself, but somehow the flashing emory of that chance meeting caused im to long for another sight of its Twice he roamed through he woods, hoping to come across the deal of his dreams, but Hazel did not eappear.

Then he made inquiries among his set, but that furnished no clue. He deided that the young lady who had so mpressed him must belong to some of the rich farmer families of that disrict. Then one day, he met her.

He was passing a neat, small cotage, with a beautifully kept garden, when the unfenced lawn and a coolsoking pump in the back yard tempted him to allay his thirst.

As he rounded the house, he came upon a wash bench, a tub sending up nowy cascades of soapsuds, and, bending over it, was the lady of his ireams

"Could I have a drink," he began, and started and stared.

"Certainly," said Hazel, but in a vivid gasp and all affush, recognizing er knight of the picture hat episode. She was an enticing picture to her admirer as she daintily wiped the suds from her little hands on the great enveloping apron she wore, as she tripped to the kitchen and returned

with a glass and handed it to him. He made a clumsy task of pumping, and Hazel had to show him how to nange the crank handle. Then both laughed, and her embarrassment was

He referred to their first meeting. truth and simplicity? Not Gorden Marie, heart-hungry for real love, and here he found it.

In after years Hazel Marie had a whole wardrobe of the latest gowns, but the one in which she had first flashed into the presence of her devoted husband she kept as a cherished

Adroit Evasion.

"Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Torkins, "do you understand the eighthour law?" "Certainly,"

"Well, I wish you'd explain it to me." "Why-er-that's one of the things the eight-hour law forbids. It is so omplicated, I couldn't possibly explain it to you without working overtime."

Wrong Definition. "Woman," said the misguided mor-

alizer, "is one of nature's opportuni-

"Don't you believe it," rejoined the demoralizer. "Everybody knows that when an opportunity arises it goes without saying, while a woman hangs around the front door for an hour saying 'good-bye.'"

A Surprise. "What was Mrs. Bizzy doing yester-

"To my great surprise I found she had nothing on hand but her gloves."

GROUP OF REAL COMMUNISTS | which may dispose of it to someone

Remarkable Settlement on the Coast of the North Sea Founded by Louis XIV.

Communists may be surprised to learn that an absolutely communistic settlement exists in France on the const of the North sea between Gravelines and Dunkirk. Jucques Bertillon has lately described this remarkable colony.

It is called Fort Mardyck and was founded by Louis XIV. It was then only a bare point of land and was fre quently visited by pirates. Here the king established four families from Pleardy to occupy the fort, giving then a vast uncultivated territory on condithat they would never sell it nor divide it up. The descendants of these families, almost all fishermen, have the following regulation; Everyone born there who marries is to moved uneasily in her chair, and final-receive 2,400 square meters of land, ly said: "Weil, I think we had better out possession of this property is only orary. On the holder's death the property returns to the community,

Each section has now become a garden with a little white house in the middle of it, and there are 2,000 of these. The people belonging to this community, freed from all fear for the future of their family, marry young and have many children. The births average forty-three a thousand, and

infant mortality is very low.

Poverty is unknown here because it topossible. Some of the men leave the security of their quiet homes for greater profits in Dunkirk, the nearest big city, or go even further away. Is this the model of human society

in the future? Gentle Hint.

My little sister sometimes accompanied me when I called on my friends She made a practice of asking for something to ent, and I asked her not to do so again, start for home. I'se getting so hungry I'se afraid you will have to carry m me."-Chicago Tribuno

**QUEER FUNERAL IN JERUSALEM** 



An unusual funeral procession in Jerusalem. A Turkish soldier is being carried to his grave, a British officer acting as one of the pallbearers.

## LOCAL INFECTION **EXPLAINS ILLS**

Baffling Eye Affections, Joint Ailments, and Even Appendicitis Accounted For.

#### DOCTORS ADMIT LAY WISDOM

High Priests of Medicine No Longer Regard Patient's Diagnosis as Mere Superstition-Tonails and Teeth at Bottom of Trouble.

New York .- Recent experiments, investigations, and experimental treatment in the domains of medicine and surgery have led to a solution of many of the hitherto puzzling problems of onstitutional disturbances which bafare removed their patients soon recover, sometimes, indeed, with astonishing rapidity.

How recent the realization of the real solution of these medical mysteries is may be judged from the foilowing editorial comment in the New York Medical Journal:

"For many years it was thought that we were well acquainted with bacteria and their vagaries, but recently we have discovered that there remains much to be learned. Of the various activities of bacteria the most interesting at present is that of the so-called focal infection. By this is meant a small, more or less quiescent point of disease, which, although it causes no local disturbance, gives rise to symptoms elsewhere in the body.

Most Important Manifestation. "Probably the most important of these manifestations is the involvement of the various joints of the body. If we pick up our textbooks to read about arthritis, the chances are that unsolved problems of medicine."

we shall be much discouraged, not only by the unfavorable prognosis, but also by our inability to determine the cause.

"Since the work of Rosenow and others, however, we are fast realizing that a small collection of bacteria may se responsible for the joint condition, and we are also discovering the fact that the only way to accomplish much good is to attack the primary focus.

"At present the capable physician is o longer content to give antipyrethics in expectation of a marvelous cure. If patient now gives a history of chronic and painful joints, the first thought of his physician should be focal infec-To determine the presence or absence of such a condition is not alvays an easy task, and outside aid, particularly the Roentgen ray, will have to be called upon.

Tonsils and Teeth.

"The tonsils may be diseased, or, what is very common, there may be infection at the roots of the teeth. This book, last is a frequent condition and may be present without local indications medical science. Physicians are beginning to realize that many general many inflammatory conditions of the eye are directly referable to dental fled their skill are still due to small infections. This has long been recoglocal foci of infection. When these nized by the laity, but the idea was considered to be mere superstition by the medical high priests.

"After removal of the focal infection the patient's rapid recovery, in many instances, is little short of marvelous. In most cases no further treatment seems to be necessary, the joints ease to be painful, and the convalesent goes on his way rejoicing.

"That bacteria in the foci cause the distant lesion has been proved so nany times that there can now be no doubt as to the causal relation. The isolated organisms, when injected into experimental animals, show a special affinity for tissues similar to those involved in the original instance. A joint will be attacked, an eye become involved, even the appendix will succumb, according to the affinity shown in the first case.

"The more thoroughly the matter i investigated, the clearer it becomes that focal infection seems to explain satisfactorily certain of the hitherto

Winsted, Conn.-Bess, a black and

square was out for an airing after be-

ing taken out from a cedar chest. The

ing made by members of the Deming

family. Bess took the muff home and.

after digging a hole in newly-plowed

The searching party finally reached

British Government to Punish Mer

Who Drug Themselves to Es-

cape Army Service.

London.-It will now be an offense

An amendment has been made to the

defense of the realm regulations, stat-

who, when ordered to report for medi-

cal examination, feigns any disease

or infirmity shall be guilty of an of-

The amendment in effect states that

if a man produces any disease or in-

to injure oneself in order to escape

### AGED PERSONS ARE MARRIED DOG BURIES STOLEN MUFF

Romance That Began Nearly Half While Owner Seeks It, Pointer Digs Century Ago Is Happily Hole for Fur Piece She Picked Up in Yard.

Cleveland, O .- A romance which had its birth a half century ago in white pointer owned by Col E M the public schools of Niles, but which Chapin of Pine Meadow, entered the was broken by a lovers' quarrel, cul- yard of Wilbur Deming of that vilminated Monday night at eight o'clock lage where a black muff 15 inches at the parsonage of Rev. T. Alfred Fleming at No. 9815 Pratt avenue, when Mrs. Emma Davis of No. 10720 dog carried the must into Frank Massie avenue and David Armstrong Holmes' yard and partly concealed it of No. 10521 Grantwood avenue were under the leaves when search was bemarried.

Ended.

Mrs. Armstrong is fifty-eight years old, her husband is sixty-two. Armstrong and his bride were play- land, covered the muff with dirt.

mates in Niles 50 years ago. Almost constant association brought their two the Chapin premises and recovered hearts together, and as years passed, the muff, which was undamaged. plans were made for their marriage Armstrong was then twenty-one. STOP WAR DRAFT "DOPING" Then came the lovers' quarrel-s

trivial disagreement-and the twain drifted apart. Armstrong married: so dld his first love, and then nearly 40 years passed away.

Death left them single again, and fate drew them together. Both settled in Cleveland scarcely a thousand vards apart. Their love dream of military service. youth was resumed. And they began courting anew! The aged "newly weds" will make their home at 10720 lng that any man in the reserve forces Massie avenue.

#### BOY GETS A HOODOO DEER

California Lad Shoots Old Buck That Dodged Bullets of Other Hunters.

Salinas, Cal. - Monterey county, which usually has more deer killed in it than any other county in California, tops all the local records with a forked-horn buck that weighed 231 pounds, dressed. The buck was killed In the last day of the season by William Casey, Jr., near his home at San The deer was an old one, and Lucas. aged to escape the bullets and was called "the hoodoo,"

That Than Stay in Jail,

He Says.

Racine, Wis,-Herman Isfriding of

because he has just put in a cement

firmity or maims or injures himself. or takes any drug likely to render him temporarily or permanently unfit for military service, he is guilty of an of-

Placed Belfry on Wrong End. St. Clairsville, O,-The carpenters erecting the new Florence Methodist Episcopal church in Pinch Run placed the belfry on the rear instead of the hunters have been trying for years to front of the building. Members are get it, but the wily buck always man- peeved. The mistake may be rectified be 45 per cent. In comparison with a the latter end of the month.

at the job, although he is reputed worth \$50,000 and hasn't been doing Wisconsin Farmer Would Rather

nuch hard labor of late years. Mrs. Isfriding had him brought to ourt a few days ago and sentenced to 90 days in jail on a charge of abusing Burlington is chopping wood for Po- her while drunk. Isfriding was taken lice Chief Baker at \$2 a day. The in charge by the sheriff and has been chief is glad to have the work done, serving his time. When he overheard the police chief asking the sheriff for

floor, and couldn't find anyone to a prisoner to do the work, he jumped chop the old one into firewood till he at the chance. hit on Isfriding. Herman says he is I Isfriding has one of the best stock

automobile, and money in the bank.

\$300 From Six Beehives. Hiawatha, Kan .- J. W. Admire of Hiawatha, during the season just closed, got 1,540 pounds of honey from six hives of bees. His profit on the bees will be close to \$300.

much with war.

Optimistic Thought. A little with peace is better than

#### FIND A SNAKE IN BANANAS

Attacked by Whole Office Force, Serpent is Cornered and Commits Suicide.

Tacoma, Wash .- A well behaved, eautifully-colored, five-foot Porto Rican snake, species unknown, which had smuggled his way some 5,000 miles in a bunch of bananas from his tropic

ome, arrived in Tacoma. Bill Hall, driver for Hammond & Co., packed a bunch of bananas to the scales. After weighing them he saw something that looked like a peculiar leaf in the top of the bunch. Bill stuck his finger down and the leaf turned into a big, red, hungry mouth. Bill let out a yell that sounded like a steampoat whistle and ran.

The whole office force, armed with various weapons, advanced to the attack and the snake dropped on the floor and headed for the wharf. When surrounded he colled and was ready for

battle. Seeing his chance for escape cut off the snake plunged his fangs into his own body, gave a final wriggle and turned over stone dead.

#### HORSE DIGS UP A PURSE

Clears Up Theft That Has Been a Mystery for More Than a Year.

Beaver Falls, Pa .- A mystery of a year's standing has been cleared up. Recently Justice of the Peace W. H. McElvaney of New Galilee received a pocketbook containing checks and railroad tickets from Mayor Christophet of Lisbon, O.

Last year Justice McElvaney attended the Columbiana county fair in Lis-bon and reported to the authorities that his pocketbook had been stolen

from his pocket. Mrs. McElvaney and a woman friend saw the thief take the pocketbook and the following day, the man was arrested in Smith's Ferry, Pa., Mrs. McElvaney identifying him. The grand jury released the prisoner for lack of evi-

A few days ago J. B. Lyther of Lisbon tied his horse to a post in the fair grounds. The horse dug up the pocket-

#### MINE WON AT CARDS

Thirty Years Later Claim Shows Prospects of Producing a Large Fortune.

Helena, Mont.-One wintry night ome thirty years ago a group of men sat about a card table in Helena. It was late when one man shoved in his last "white"-and lost. Demanding more try, he offered a mining claim. Not a gambler in the house would give the desperate stranger so much as a chip for his claim-none but "Swede Sam" Wallin. The miner lost. The land which became Wallin's as a result of the night at cards lay in the Blossburg mining district, near

Helena. As the years of three decades passed, its dirt remained unnoticed. Lately Wallin's claim may have grown to be worth \$100,000. A prospector struck a rich vein of ore in the Blossburg district, running into Wallin's claim.

#### MILLIONAIRE FISH MERCHANT.



Photo shows Alexander Paladini the oldest fish merchant on the Pacific const. He has been in the fish business for nearly 65 years, and during all this time he has bucked the fish trust and worked without vacation until he is known among his many ac quaintances as the millionaire fishman. Life would not be worth living to Paladini if he could not don his rough rags and work in the fishery with the seven younger Paladinis,

#### FOOD 65 PER CENT HIGHER General Cost of Living in England 45

Per Cent Greater Than Year

Ago. London.-The average increase of retail prices for the principal articles of food between July, 1914, and September, 1916, has been 65 per cent. In-

cluding rent, clothing, fuel and light the rise in the cost of living has been, found by the food prices committee to before the dedication, which will be year ago it shows an average increase of 20 per cent.

#### HAS \$50,000, CHOPS WOOD only too glad to work ten hours a day | farms near Burlington, 117 acres, a two-acre homestead in the city, an

spicuous at a distance. A factory in Spain is making paper

> wash large quantities of eggs rapidly. Extensive deposits of conl have been discovered in Kongo by Belgian en-

### War Department Considers a Novel Steel Helmet

Washington,—The latest "engine" of military defense has been born in W Washington. It is a combination steel helmet and trench digger, designed by Leonard D. Mahan, formerly in the United States army, now a member of the local police department

detailed at headquarters.

Mahan's invention may result in the introduction of the steel helmet in Uncle Sam's army, for he has submitted his design to the war department, and it is now in the hands of the ordnance division.

The United States government has always barred the permanent steel helmet, which has been adopted as a part of the equipment of the Euro-pean soldier, from the American army because of a belief that a permanent helmet was an unnecessary burden on

Mahan hopes that his helmet will be adopted, however, for, he points out, it is not a permanent headgear and need only be worn while the men

are under actual fire. The new helmet would not do away with the present campaign hat. It is made of crucible steel and resembles the grocer's sugar scoop.

When marching, the helmet could be carried as a part of the equipment, and while in camp it could be used handly as a digger, bailer, or even as a ess kit. Mahan believes,

Although Mahan does not assert that his helmet ever would do away with the regular trench-digging tools, he points out that in battle his helmet would protect the head and neck, and still not do away with the campaign

#### Uncle Sam's Census Office Really Does Much Work

THE bureau of the census is now completing the manufactures census for 1914. This sounds as though the figures might be ancient, but how about the time when this census was made public five years after the work was undertaken, and then we thought we

were lucky? As a matter of fact, very few of us realize the tremendous amount of work that is turned out by Uncle Sam's census office. In addition to the manufactures census and the general population census, many other consuses are undertaken at stated intervals, such as the tobacco census, now taken four times a year.

The work of this division of the federal government, now the greatest statistical office in the world, represents the outgrowth and development of a century and a quarter of period-

ical, and, in recent years, continuous, statistical inquiry.

While various labor-saving machines have been installed by the government from time to time, there is, perhaps, no bureau of the entire fabric of federal work that has benefited more by the use of modern machinery. In fact, the census office is doing today with the use of machines what would be absolutely impossible if hand labor had to be employed. From time to time various reforms and improvements have been inaugurated in this office, and at present the current work on all lines is practically up to date-a condi-

tion which has not until recently existed during the bureau's history. According to officials of the bureau, the first use of mechanical appliances in the compilation of census data was made during the closing months of the work on the census of 1870, when a simple tallying machine was employed

with good results. At the census of 1890 there was introduced a card system of tabulation, which, with modifications and improvements, is still employed. These cards are punched by what is known as a verification machine, which is almost human in its work, throwing out all cards with errors. Following this, the cards are put through an automatic sorting machine which takes care of some 300 cards a minute; following which the card is placed in still another machine, which counts them at the rate of 500 a minute, purely automatically, and finally they are put into still a fourth machine, which records each

### Great Variety of Domes in the National Capital

W ASHINGTON possesses an unusual number of domed buildings. The student or lover of architecture finds here not only a great many, but a

great variety of domes. It is extraordinary that examples of all the domes of the favorite schools of architecture are grouped within the limits of this Needless to say, the capitol dome is Washington's dome par excellence. Its size alone gives it pre-eminence, and its beauty ranks it among the CTUBLILLIA. great domes of the world. The frame-

> werk of this dome is of iron and it weighs nearly 9,000,000 pounds. The keynote of its impressiveness is its massiveness; its curving sides, encircling rows of columns, vari-

shaped windows and graceful segmental ornamentations will always be only adjuncts to its impressive feature-its size. In height the capitol dome reaches 287 feet into the air; its greatest diameter is 135 feet. Washington's most beautiful dome surmounts the Library of Congress. This

has a diameter of 100 feet, making it almost as large as that of the capitol; but, offhand, one would certainly say that it is a much smaller dome. This is due to its shape. The library dome is an Italian renaissance type and is a flattened spherical vault. It is built of stucco applied to a framework of iron and steel, filled in with terra cotta. The domed roof is sheathed with copper, and over this is laid the coating of gold leaf, 23 karats fine. As far as ornamentation goes, this dome is the most exquisite in the United States. The interior walls are superbly painted and adorned with

The National museum possesses a dome neither huge nor extremely ornate; yet it is one of the most pleasing domes to the architectural eye that is found in the city. It recalls the dome of the Pantheon at Rome; in the matter of contour they are quite similar. These are Washington's three official domes. In addition to them are everal church domes of large dimensions and varying ornateness. The

Jewish synagogues of the city give a Byzantine touch to the capital's archi-

tectural horizon. The synagogue at the corner of Sixth and I streets has the

#### true Arabian dome. Washington Discovers It Has an Official Motto

USTITIA Omnibus." Discovered; the motto of the city of Washington. D. J. Donovan, secretary to the board of commissioners, recently received from Edwin F. Manchester a letter inquiring whether it was true that Washington is the only city in the

Secretary Donovan frankly admitted that he didn't know. Neither did several other officials. But not so Dr. William Tindall, ssistant secretary.

United States without a motto.

Doctor Tindall has written a his tory of Washington dating back to the time when the town pump was located at Fourteenth street and Pennsylvania avenue, so he ought to know.

"Justitia Omnibus" (Justice for all), is Washington's motto. The legislative assembly on August 31, 1871, passed an act prescribing a design for the seal of the District of Columbia. The legendary inscription on the seal is "Justitia Omnibus." This, Doctor Tindall says, is obviously the motto of the city of Washington and the District, though Washington is only a geographical designation of a portion of the District, and has been so since February 21, 1871.

#### POSTSCRIPTS.

Of all colors, red is the most con-

and pulp from esparto grass.

A machine has been invented to

Japan has a gold-fish farm that has een in continuous operation since

There are 380 plano factories in the United States. Recently invented stuffed animals

moved and washed.

For restaurant use cups and saucers that can be stacked for safe carrying have been designed.

for children have skins that can be re-

Iron ore is found in almost every Chinese province, but it is mined extensively in only a few.

For renovating a lawn at any season

new sod roller has spikes that punch holes in the soil.